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Hello everybody! It's SUMMER!

I can hardly believe that we are half way through our quilting year already. Time is flying by and I've been busy getting quilts ready for the quilt walk, quilt show and challenge. Those deadlines are steadily creeping up. Yikes! Sew many quilts...sew little time!

Thanks to all of you, our June Brown Bag event was a great success. You were so generous with your donations that we ended up with 143 baskets of goodies. Hope you were all happy with the new additions to your stash.

This month, we've got a great line up for the annual Quilter's University on Tuesday, July 9th. For those of you who love appliqué, there will be two different methods demonstrated. Cheri McDowell will illustrate traditional needle turn. She uses toothpicks to sweep under the fabric and her work is beautiful. Marlene Oaks will demonstrate Martha Nordstrand's glue based prep using Avery glue stick and a small screwdriver. Quilters are so clever...toothpicks and screwdrivers for sewing tools! Check out both methods to find out which works best for you. Dot Demmin will teach you how to use scraps wrapped around clothesline to make coasters. Once you get this method down, you can make bowls and other interesting things. Ellen French is known for her great bindings and will show us her easy method that looks almost seamless. Candy Dalton and Miyo Inouye-Kretsch are teaming up to show us how to use Shiva stick paints to embellish fabric and create our own designs. Our last speaker, Michelle Watts, showed a beautiful quilt that looked hand appliquéd but was actually created using this method. Lastly, Diana White will be demonstrating the "tube" or "burrito" method for making pillowcases. She will have plenty of kits ready for you to take home for our vets. I think you'll agree that there will be something for everyone and plenty to learn.

Hope you can join us at the parade on the 4th. I will email time and logistic info when I get it from the city. If I don't see you there, have a wonderful Fourth of July.

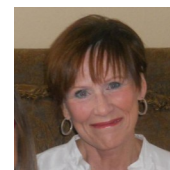
Celebrate and enjoy!

All my best,

Shirley

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A Special Letter to You

Aloha 'Oe

Dear Fellow Guild Members, Thank you so much for the beautiful memory book and all of your kind sentiments. Thank you for all of your support and participation with regard to the quilt show over the past twelve years. Please now lend your support and help to Gail and Ellen as they take responsibility of the quilt show.

I have so enjoyed working on the quilt show and working with many of you over the years. Our Old Town Temecula has grown so much since we first moved here. Your quilts have beautified the buildings every year in October. Working with the city, Melody Brunsting, and the merchants has been challenging and rewarding. It has been wonderful to see the community's interest in quilting grow and to see individuals take up quilting as a result of seeing our quilt show and meeting our members.

Most of all, I so appreciate the friendships I've made in the guild. Working with you, learning with you and from you has meant a lot to me. I have a hunch I'll be quilting a lot more, especially in the winter months. A particular friend told me that I should take up winter sports since we will be in Colorado. Well, I think Pauline's winter sport will end up to be quilting!

Again, thank you for your friendship. Now I bid each of you a fond "Aloha"!

Sincerely,

Pauline McCauley



Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild
Program and Room Set Ups

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
									Anniversary Past Pres Trunk Show			
Program	Speaker	Speaker	Speaker	Speaker	Speaker	Brown Bag	Quilters University	Phil. Sew In	Challenge Quilt	Speaker	Member Showcase	Holiday Party
Block of the Month	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Challenge Quilt	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no
Charm Squares	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Door Prizes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Library	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Merchandise Table	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Monthly Mini	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Opportunity Quilt	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Philanthropy	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Show and Tell	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Refreshments	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
						Board provides			Dessert contest			Members Potluck

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEEDED

Believe it or not, our quilt year is half over! Time to form a nominating committee to put together a slate of officers for the 2016 Valley of the Mist year. I need a couple of volunteers who wish to help with this....the slate of board members needs to be ready to present to the guild by the October general meeting. Please contact me if you are able to help.

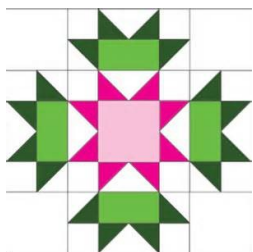
Cheri McDowell, Parliamentarian



Charm Squares

All those wanting to participate in Charm Square for September need to sign up in August and the theme is Oriental & Japanese.

For more information CALL Diana Short [805-312-5303](tel:805-312-5303)



Show and Tell

We are having Show & Tell at the July meeting so please bring in your beautiful pieces to share with everyone.

Dot Demmin and Linda Duhe
951-461-2443



Jan Dolan, June Celebrating Quilter of the Month

2015 Quilt Show News

Only three short months to go! On Saturday Oct 3 from 10:00 - 4:00 we will have our 17th annual Old Town Temecula Outdoor Quilt Show. Thanks to the hard work over the years of Pauline McCauley the quilt show has become a major event for Old Town. Please turn in your display forms to Gail Ledbetter, Ellen French or any quilt show committee member at the August guild meeting. Your large and small auction quilts with their forms are due at the September meeting. All forms are on the guild web site.

Our guild member's quilts will be on display throughout Old Town hung from ropes on various buildings. Our large quilt live auction will be in the Old Town Community Theater Courtyard and our small quilt silent auction will be in front of the Antique Faire on Old Town Front Street. Our featured quilter, Leora Raikin, will be in the mercantile building right off the theater courtyard. The vendors will be in the conference center at the Temecula civic center.

The quilt show committee will be in high gear throughout the summer getting ready for the show. We will have volunteer signup sheets at the August and September meetings so be thinking about how you can help make this event work. It takes a lot of volunteers to pull this off but is a lot of fun working with your fellow guild members and is a big fund raiser for us.

Thank you all so much!

Gail Ledbetter gailledbetter@hotmail.com



Philanthropy

This month's Philanthropy sew-in is Saturday, July 25th at the Heritage Mobile Home Park clubhouse.

It is always a fun day. Hope you can make it!



Diana L. White

LAST CALL FOR PRESIDENT QUILT BLOCKS

We will begin putting the President's quilt together to present to Shirley Brown in the next month. If you have picked up a bag with fabric & instructions, please return your finished block at the July guild meeting, or you can mail it to me. We have many lovely blocks, and the few more will help to make the quilt spectacular! If you have been a member this year, you know that Shirley has worked hard for our guild and we can't wait to present her with this token of our appreciation. Thank you all for participating!

Cheri McDowell, Past President



Workshops

OCTOBER WORKSHOP: Lenore Crawford will be teaching us how to use fusible and paints to enhance our quilting skills. The workshop will be a two day event, members \$60 and guests \$80. I am looking forward to learning more on how to enhance and make my quilts more original in this workshop. We have about 6 spots left for this workshop. Please email me at terribarrysews@gmail.com if you'd like more information. You can view Lenore's work at <http://www.lenorecrawford.com/>

All speaker workshops are \$30 per session for members, \$40 per session for guests. Workshops start at 10 am and end at 4 pm unless otherwise specified. Supply list are available at meetings and are emailed to those signed up prior to the date of the workshop.

For more information contact Terri Barry.



Block of the Month

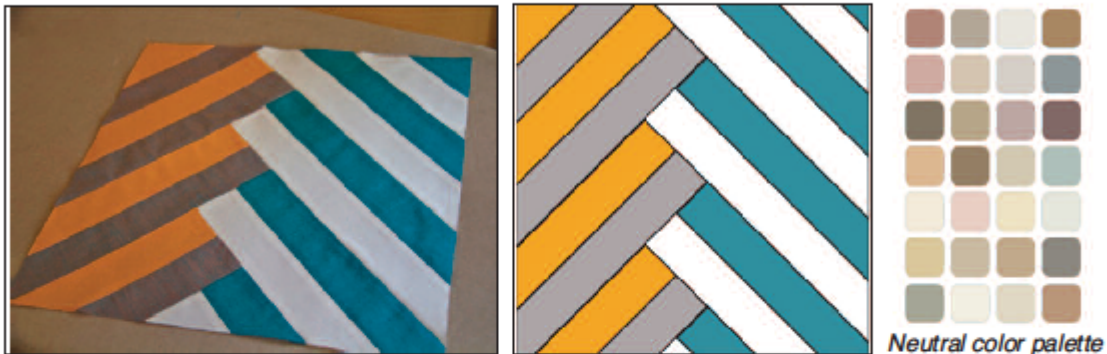
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Block of the Month: Block 7--blocks due at the September meeting

Here is our next block. We are still using our neutral color palette. The colors shown in these instructions are for illustration only. There is a picture below on the right and additional information about the palette is in the January 2015 newsletter. All blocks are 12.5" blocks — 12" finished

Please check out the blog <http://www.sewmamasew.com/> to see the wonderful website I am getting these blocks from.

This block design does not include any negative space. As a result, the pattern the block makes shines when pieced with small scale prints or solid fabrics



Fabric Requirements[Based on fabrics that are 42" wide]: (If making two blocks --double this.)

Fabric A (background): 2" wide width of fabric (WOF) strip and a 2" x 5.5" scrap

Fabric B (print): 2" wide width of fabric (WOF) strip and 2" x 5.5" scrap

Fabric C (print): 2" wide WOF strip

Fabric D (print): 2" wide WOF strip and 7" x 3" scrap

Cutting and Initial Assembly:

1. Sew together the A & B WOF (width of fabric) strips and the A & B 5.5" scraps.
2. Cut 7" off of the Fabric C WOF (width of fabric) strip and sew together with the 7"X 3" scrap of Fabric D. This is Portion 9.
3. Sew together the remainder of the Fabric C WOF strip with the Fabric D WOF strip.



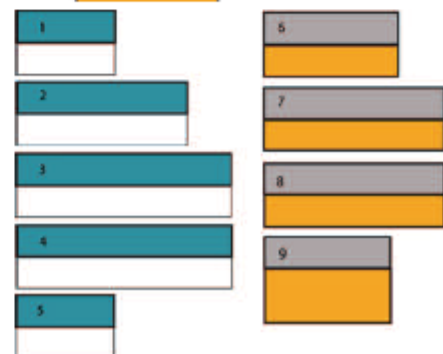
Note from Adriane -- I found it helpful to write the color of my fabrics on these instructions, so I could remember what went where.

Cut the A/B strip into portions of the following lengths:

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Portion 1: 5.5" | Portion 2: 9.5" |
| Portion 3: 12" | Portion 4: 12" |
| Portion 5: 5.5" | |

4. Cut the C/D strip into portions of the following lengths:

- | | |
|-----------------|---|
| Portion 6: 7.5" | Portion 7: 10" |
| Portion 8: 10" | Portion 9 is already at the correct size. |



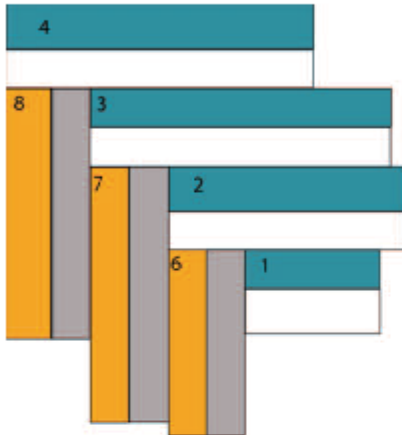
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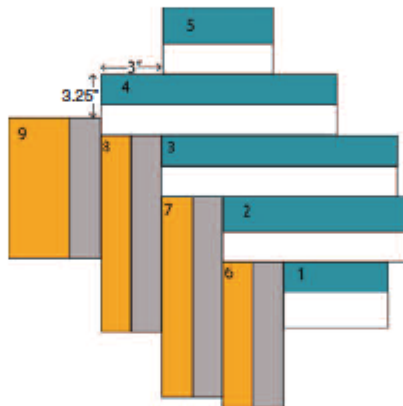
Assembling the Block:

5. Sew together portion 1 and 6 as indicated.
Keep building the block by adding on portion 2.

6. Following this same building pattern, switch from side to side as you sew on portion 7, then 3, then 8, and finally 4. Press after you sew on each portion.



7. Next, finish the piecing by sewing on portions 9 and 5. Line them up so that portion 9 is set 3.25" down from the top of the piecing and portion 5 is set 3" in from the left edge of the piecing.

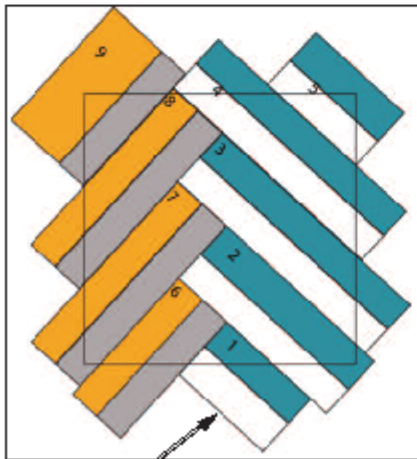


8 Now, finish the block by first rotating your piecing and then trimming it down to 12.5" square. *Note from Adriane:*

Make sure to check where the 45° angle line on your square up ruler is -- have it parallel to a seam of your block.

Also, at the bottom of your block, try to incorporate at least one inch of the last strip or it won't show when blocks are put together.

Your block is all done!



Try to keep at least one inch of this last strip.

Note: This is just the sort of trimming where a 12.5" square ruler comes in handy. If you don't have one, I'd suggest you draw the 12.5" block onto the piecing before cutting it out. You wouldn't want to trim too much off of one edge and not have enough piecing remaining to fit the full sized block.

Thanks for trying this month's block.

Also, if you want to try last month's block, you still can. Due to summer activities, those blocks are not due until the September meeting.

Adriane Ridder
Block of the Month Chair



Quilter of the Month



Celebrating Quilter of the Month Pam Fisher

When you enter Pam Fisher's world, you are transported to early America. Her home is filled with Americana in all forms from antique quilts to many artifacts.

Pam began her journey in San Diego, in a second generation San Diegan Family. She went through school, including college, met her husband and had two children, all in San Diego.



Quilting was part of her family heritage. Her mom made an English Paper Pieced baby quilt when Pam was born (see insert above right) which she later cut in half to share with a neighbor's baby who had no quilt. Pam's great aunt quilted too (see red stars above right). She had a large frame hanging from her ceiling for quilting bees. Pam found the antique quilt with the label telling the years between creation and quilting (above right). It might be the oldest UFO of all!

Her husband had a career in retail, and over the years they lived in seven different states. Pam embroidered and crocheted, but began to see quilts in magazines and decided she would try quilting. When they lived in Texas, she made a quilted pillow which was a turning point in her life. There were no quilt shops or teachers in Plano, Texas. Pam found herself teaching quilting in the YMCA before she ever made a quilt! She jokes that they had to get out of town fast before anyone found out the pillow was her one and only quilt project.

When they moved back to San Diego, Pam took classes from Sharyn Craig. Sharyn taught all of the basics that Pam so longed to know. When they got to the appliqué lessons, Pam found her quilting passion.

They moved to the San Francisco Bay Area where Pam joined her first quilt guild, Amadore Valley Quilters, a large guild with over 200 members. Coming to Temecula, she felt so much at home as our guild was a lot like the Amadore Valley Quilters guild with lots of teachers, activities and energy.

While living in the Mid-West she could find only small friendship-like groups so she started a guild geared toward appliqué in Michigan. They moved to the Phoenix area for ten years and she became part of the Arizona Quilters Guild.

After Pam's husband retired, they came home to Southern California to be near their children. Having visited Temecula Wine Country before, they knew it was to be home. The first month Pam attended both Valley of the Mist Quilters and the Divine Sisters at the Murrieta Senior Center. Pam helped organize the first Quilt Show for the Divine Sisters which has just enjoyed its second annual show. Pam is happy and is so glad they moved here. "Find a quilt group, and you find wonderful friends," she said. The first thing to do in a new city is to find a quilting group.

Pam's favorite technique is needle-turn hand appliqué. She loves handwork such as silk ribbon, cross stitch, redwork, and hooking rugs. She trusts her hands more than a machine. While she can machine piece, it is not her favorite thing to do. She loves to do primitive, folk art quilts. On her bucket list was a Baltimore album quilt (see upper left), which she completed beautifully. Pam's motto is: "I view the past through the eye of a needle."



To nominate someone
for quilter of the month,
contact Marlene Oaks
sewingatlightspeed@yahoo.com



2015 CHALLENGES

Dessert Contest



25th Anniversary Version
Of our popular September birthday
dessert contest

CONTEST GUIDELINES:

- ♦ Pick your most delicious and gorgeous dessert recipe (must be homemade)
- ♦ Make enough so that there will be 80 bites so all can taste your delightful dessert.
- ♦ Make a sign with the name of your dessert and any possible allergic ingredients such as peanut.
- ♦ As a courtesy, it would be nice if you had a stack of the recipe available, of course unless it is a guarded family secret.
- ♦ To enter you must sign up by August.
- ♦ You can enter as an individual, a friendship group, or other small group.
- ♦ You must be a guild member to enter.

There will be prizes of gift certificates for 1st and 2nd place in 2 categories:

- 1) the most delicious,
 - 2) most related to the 25th anniversary theme
- For more information, contact Marlene Oaks

Challenge Quilt 2015

Think:

- ♦ 25
- ♦ Silver

- ♦ Merlot

September is our big silver 25th anniversary!



Take the challenge to make a quilt honoring this very big year.

Pick up the guidelines at the meetings (or ask Marlene to email them to you) and bring your entry to the September meeting.

Prizes + ribbons

And lots of fun

For more information contact

M. Marlene Oaks

sewingatlightspeed@yahoo.com



Members' News



FEATHERED FIBERS by Carla Barrett

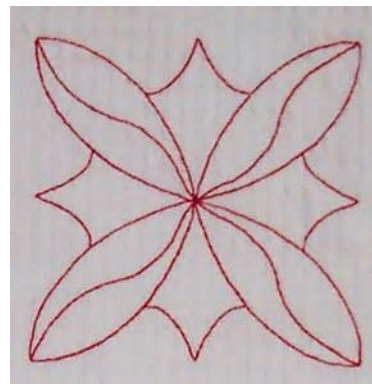


Last month's suggestion, I suppose, did not go over well since I didn't hear from anyone. That's okay. Let's try another...

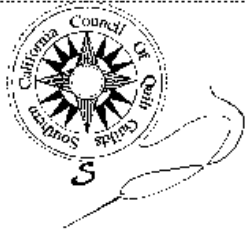
What is your favorite quilting tool or trick? Send a quick note or a picture to me. It need only take a minute.

Tina S.

Thank you, Sherry Riddle!
You organized a super Brown Bag Event this year.



Of Interest



Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds

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Next meeting will be Saturday, July 11, 2015;
Doors open at 9:00 A.M.

New SCCQG Reps Orientation at 9:30 a.m. General meeting begins at 10 AM.

Topic: "Successful Boutiques, Bazaars, Tea's—What does it take"
Speaker: Peggy Foley

The host guild is the Glendale Quilt Guild.
The meeting will be held at:

First Congregational Church of Glendale
2002 Canada Blvd, Glendale Ca 91209

Since our attendees travel to the meeting from here, there and everywhere, please use the Google Maps link below to obtain driving directions from your location: www.mapquest.com
Contact: Colleen Shier programchair@sccqg.org to RSVP and/or schedule opportunity quilt space.

President's Comments – Pam Overton

Meet the Teachers was a great success this year. We had 55 guilds attend and many, many program chairs were able to book their speakers for the coming year! Thank you to Jean Kuper for handling all of the "teacher" coordination and to the many volunteers who helped us throughout the day from set up to take down. If you attended and have suggestions for next year's event, please pass them along to president@sccqg.org. Mark your calendars now for the 2016 Meet the Teachers meeting on Saturday, April 9. The Carson Community Center is working well as a venue for us so we have booked it again for next year.

We have some interesting topics coming up for the meetings in July and October. Read more about the meeting topics in Colleen's Program article.

It's that time again when we need to think about nominations and election of officers at the October meeting. This year we need to elect a treasurer, parliamentarian, membership chair, and insurance coordinator. All of our work is done online and by telephone. No traveling long distance for board meetings. Our board meetings are telephone conference calls. As with any organization, we need new faces to bring fresh new ideas to the process. First we need several people to serve on the nominating committee with Leora. Second, we need for each guild to look within your ranks to identify possible candidates for these offices. (Cont'd on Page 2)

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Harvest of Quilts - Quilt Show Presented by Flying Geese Quilters Guild September 26 & 27, 2015



The Flying Geese Quilters Guild presents its quilt show, "A Harvest of Quilts" (<http://www.HarvestOfQuilts.com>) on Saturday, September 26, 2015, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. & Sunday, September 27, 2015 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at SOKA University in Aliso Viejo, California. Over 300 traditional and non-traditional style quilts will be on display. It brings together the "best of the best" in quilting, with aisles of displays, retail exhibits, craft boutique, antique quilts display and a live quilt auction at 2 p.m. on Saturday. Free parking. \$10 admission.

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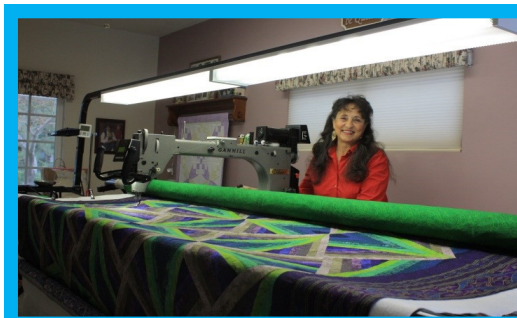
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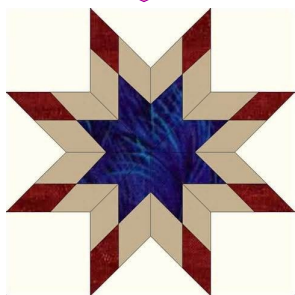




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Community
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Exit the 15 Freeway at
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and go east. Go to Ynez
Road and turn right. Go to
Rancho Vista Road and
turn left. It is
approximately 1 ½ miles &
on the right-hand side.

Meetings are the second
Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Social Time 6:30 PM

All sewers welcome.

Please deliver promptly to:

Mission Statement

Our Guild was formed in 1990 and is a non-profit organization.

The purpose of our Guild is to promote cooperation and the
exchange of ideas among those persons interested in or
engaged in quilting and to further the education and
skill levels of our members.



Reminders:

- Meeting
July 14
- Bring US Vets
donation.
- Got news? Bring it
to your editor!
- Prepare to learn &
be inspired!
- Looking ahead to
next August:
Annual Philanthropy
Sew-In
- Bring President's
Block!!
- Show and Tell
Quilts, Quilted
Clothing, Bags, etc.
- Hold on to your
Block of the month
for September.
- Get your articles in
no later than the
20th of each month.
- Board Meeting -
Monday, July 20